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**Vote by Mail Options for April 10 Election**  
***Voters concerned about COVID may vote by mail***

The deadline to request a ballot has passed.

**How to Return Your Ballot**

Ballots can be mailed (2 first class stamps recommended) or placed in a ballot drop box. The ballot must be received by the Town Clerk before the polls close, so plan ahead when returning your ballot.

The legal deadline to return a Vote by Mail ballot is 8 pm on April 10 – postmarks are not sufficient and the ballot drop boxes will be checked and locked at 8 pm.

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**If I request a ballot in the mail on April 6, will I get it in time?**

A request received on April 6 would be mailed on April 7 and would have to be completed by the voter and returned to a drop box on or before 8 pm on Election Day.

**How will I know if my application or ballot has been received?**

Unfortunately, despite requests from Town Clerks, Track My Ballot has not been turned on for local elections this spring. Our office cannot answer this personally for every voter. However, if your ballot was mailed to or from out of town we understand your desire to check and suggest that you leave a short voice message (781-316-3070) or email [townclerk@town.arlington.ma.us](mailto:townclerk@town.arlington.ma.us) and we will respond as quickly as we can. We need your name (spell the last name) and your address to check.

**Can I request a ballot and then change my mind on Election Day?**

It depends on whether you requested an Absentee or an Early Voting ballot. Please see this [explanation of the differences](#). In either case, when you arrive at the precinct the Election Warden will call to verify the status and you may be permitted to vote. If your vote arrives later that day in the mail, it will be rejected since you voted in person.

**Can I bring my ballot to the polls on Election Day?**

Voted ballots cannot be delivered to the precincts on Election Day. They can be placed in the drop boxes which will be checked throughout the day. Those ballots will be taken to the precincts and counted that night.

Please visit the [Elections page](#) for more information about the April 10 Election.

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